

# VICTORIA

THE CAPITAL CITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA



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PICTURESQUE

# Victoria

*The Sunshine City*

PARLIAMENT  
BUILDINGS



Victoria, the Capital City of British Columbia, and seat of the Lieutenant-Governor, is a most attractive city beautifully situated on the S. E. end of Vancouver Island overlooking the Straits of San Juan de Fuca, with the Olympic Range and snow-capped Mount Baker in the background.

The substantial buildings, the wide and well-kept streets, the gay flower-gardens, and the numerous country houses in the environs give the place quite an old-world air. Victoria has the least rainfall of any city on the Pacific Coast, and ranks among the most healthful spots in the whole world, with a climate rivalling that of the famous resorts in the south of England. Having an average of five and half hours sunshine every day in the year, and a temperature rarely lower than freezing point, and usually forty to seventy degrees above, Victoria is the Mecca for hundreds of those who wish to escape the extreme winters of the prairies.

Among the principal attractions are the magnificent Parliament Buildings; Beacon Hill Park, commanding charming views of the Straits, and the Gorge. Chinatown, with its theatre, joss houses and strange stores, attracts many visitors.

The new Dominion Observatory, containing one of the two great telescopes of the world, with a seventy-two inch reflector, is situated on Observation Hill, commanding one of the finest views on the Pacific Coast, and visitors should not fail to visit this great seat of scientific research. This site was chosen after two years investigation throughout Canada, when the Dominion Government announced that Victoria had been chosen because of its superlative climatic and atmospheric conditions.

Butchart's Gardens, situated at Brentwood, on the Saanich Peninsula, are a veritable fairyland of flowers, lawns, and lake, artificially constructed in an old quarry. They feature besides the sunken gardens, Italian and Japanese Gardens. Here are to be found miniature trees, shrubs, figures, waterfalls, rustic bridges, and summer houses, and the whole is a never failing source of delight.

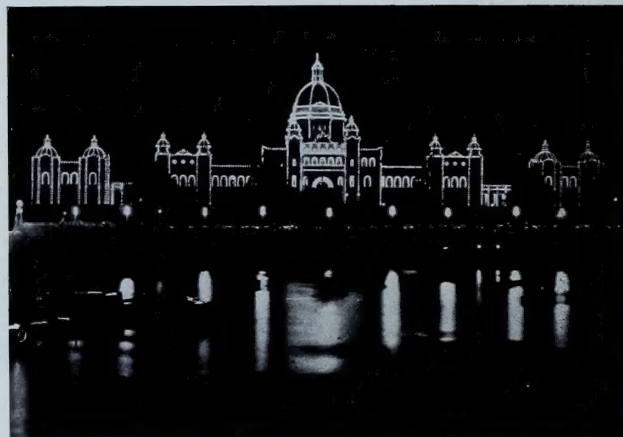
Recently completed is the Crystal Garden, containing one of the largest salt water swimming pools on the continent. The water is pumped from the Pacific Ocean nearly a mile away, and heated to a temperature of seventy degrees, so that this most attractive pool may be enjoyed the year round.

Victoria is famous as a tourist resort, out door sports being carried on the year round. Six golf courses are available, while the city is the gateway to Vancouver Island, a veritable paradise for the sportsman, fishing and shooting being unsurpassed.





Main Entrance.



By Night.



A Picturesque Glimpse.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.



SOLDIERS' MONUMENT AND PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.





Entrance to Harbour.



Inner Harbour, from Empress Hotel



C. P. R. Docks and Steamers "Princess Victoria" and "Princess Charlotte."



INNER HARBOUR, EMPRESS HOTEL AND C. P. R. STEAMER "PRINCESS KATHLEEN."





The Fountain and Lily Pond.



The Swans.  
BEACON HILL PARK.





Bridge and Bandstand.



The Mushroom Seat.  
BEACON HILL PARK.





BUTCHART'S SUNKEN GARDENS.





BUTCHART'S GARDENS. THE RESIDENCE AND ITALIAN GARDENS.

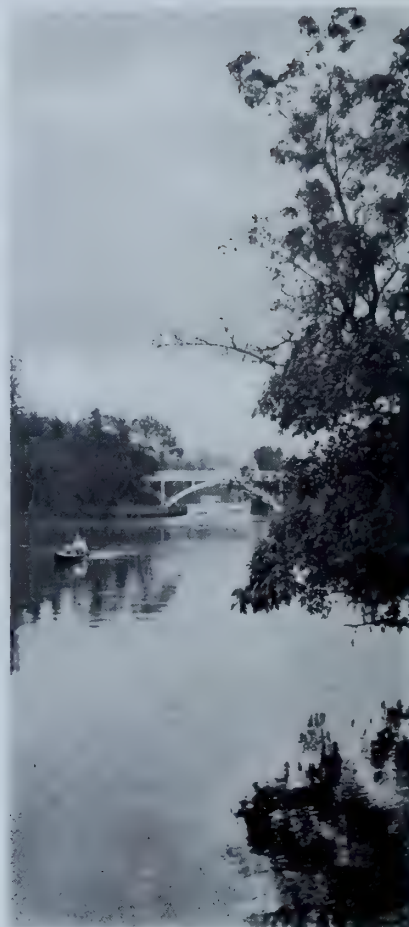


The Reversing Falls.



Looking up from the Bridge. ....

THE GORGE.



A Favorite Spot for Canoeing.





GORGE BRIDGE



ALONG SOUTH GOVERNMENT STREET.



OGDEN POINT BREAKWATER AND C. P. R. S.S. PRINCESS ADELAIDE





RESIDENTIAL VIEW OVERLOOKING FOWL BAY AND ROSS BAY.



Gnome fishing in a quiet pool.



Sundial and Rose Arbour.



Gnome refreshing on a vantage point.

BUTCHART'S GARDENS.





CRYSTAL GARDENS.



DOMINION ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY.





HATLEY PARK.



MOUNT BAKER.



THE OLYMPIC RANGE.





GROUNDS OF THE W. J. PENDRAY RESIDENCE



BUTCHART'S GARDENS. THE RESIDENCE.





BUTCHART'S GARDENS. THE LAKE AND SUNKEN GARDENS.



Esquimalt Harbour.



Trail Island and C.P.R. S.S. "Princess Alice."



Totem Pole, Oak Bay.





FCWL BAY, SHOWING GOVERNMENT WIRELESS STATION AND OBSERVATORY.



St. Ann's Academy.



St. Joseph's Hospital.



JOAN CRESCENT AND VICTORIA COLLEGE.





GOVERNMENT HOUSE, RESIDENCE OF LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.



Walton Street and Government House.



Pandora Street and Metropolitan Methodist Church



A GLIMPSE OF PICTURESQUE GARDENS AND HOMES, FOR WHICH VICTORIA IS NOTED





GOLDSTREAM.



ON COLWOOD GOLF LINKS.



View overlooking Oak Bay Golf Links, showing C. P. R. steamers "Princess Adelaide" and "Princess Charlotte" racing to Vancouver.





THREE GLIMPSES OF THE PICTURESQUE COLWOOD GOLF LINKS.



The Malahat Drive.





Mount Baker from Lookout Point.  
Four views along the beautiful Malahat Drive, a wonderful motor trip.

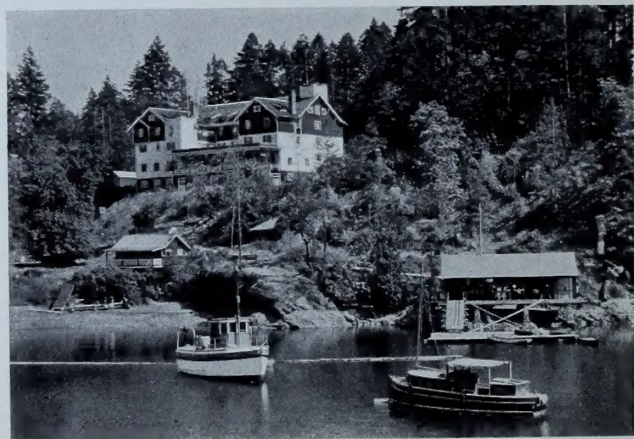




SAANICH ARM FROM BRENTWOOD.



Broom, Trail Island and Olympic Range.



Brentwood College.





